(*e*) Yes.

(*f*) In the case of Sanitary Inspectors who were posted as Village Panchayet Inspectors and subsequently taken as Sanitary Inspectors, the District Boards concerned recommended the grant of increments and the same was approved by Government.

Mr. K. T. SATYANARAYANA SETTY (Kadur Taluk).—

*Q.—37.* Will the Government be pleased to state:—

(*a*) Are they aware that certain Congress prisoners lodged in the Bangalore Central Jail were flogged for alleged breach of jail discipline on the 7th December 1931 and on the 19th February 1932?

(*b*) If so, will the Government be pleased to state that exact reasons for which they were flogged?

(*c*) Did the jail authorities adopt less severe modes of enforcing discipline before resorting to flogging?

(*d*) Is it a fact that the Congress prisoners were allotted such hard labour as ragi grinding to which they were not accustomed?

(*e*) (i) Have the Government issued any instructions in regard to the nature of work to be given to political prisoners condemned to hard labour; (ii) if not, will they be pleased to issue instructions at least now so that these prisoners be given work congenial to them?

(*f*) Have the Government satisfied themselves that flogging was resorted to in strict accordance with the provisions of the Jail Manual?

(*g*) Was the Jail Medical Officer present at the time of flogging? Had he previously certified regarding the fitness of prisoners to bear flogging?

(*h*) (1) Is it a fact that one Mr. Subbakrishna, one of the prisoners, was suffering from fever at the time of flogging and (2) that no Medical Officer examined him before flogging?

(*i*) Is it a fact that, as a result of severe flogging, he developed ulcers on the buttock for which he was detained in the Jail Hospital?

(*j*) How long was he thus detained in the Hospital?

(*k*) How many days after flogging was he attended to by the Jail Medical Officer?

(*l*) (1) Have the Government conducted an enquiry or called for full information in the whole matter; (2) if so, will they be pleased to place the information on the table?

APPENDIX B.—*contd.*

(*m*) Are the Government aware that, at a representative public meeting in Bangalore, resolutions were passed condemning flogging as a mode of punishment and praying for certain reforms in Jail Manual so as to make it more humane in regard to the treatment of political prisoners?

(*n*) Have the Government taken any steps to give effect to these resolutions?

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*A.—37.* (*a*) *Vide* answer to 7 (*a*).

(*b*) *Vide* answer to 7 (*c*).

(*c*) Yes.

(*d*) They were allotted medium labour at 2/3 the prescribed task.

In the case of rigorous imprisonment, it is not always possible to assign labour to which a prisoner is accustomed.

(*e*) (i) No special instructions beyond those contained in the Jail Manual.

(ii) Government do not consider this necessary.

(*f*) Yes.

(*g*) Yes.

(*h*) (1) No.

(2) The Medical Officer did examine him.

(*i*) Yes.

(*j*) About a month and a half.

(*k*) Two days after.

(*l*) (1) Yes.

(2) There is no information beyond that contained in these replies.

(*m*) Yes.

(*n*) No.

MR. HOSAKOPPA KRISHNA RAO (Koppa Taluk).—

*Q.—38.* Will the Government be pleased to state:—

(*a*) The amount collected in the shape of notice fees, *isthihar* fees and *malki* charges in regard to land revenue arrears due for the year 1930-31 in the malnad taluks of the Kadur District?

(*b*) The sum so collected in Koppa Taluk and Narasimharajapura Sub-Taluk?

(*c*) Whether any representations were made by the people against such collections to the authorities and with what effect?